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Bellfield House 80,0xford Road, High Wycombe, Bucks October, 1968 To the Chairman and Members of Marlow Urban District Council Mr, Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen, I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report. 1967 saw another substantial rise in the estimated population - 10,460, 470 more than in 1966. There were 234 births, an increase of 21, the birthrate rising from 21,3 to 22.1 per 1,000 population. 98 deaths occurred during the year, exactly half resulting from diseases of the cardio vascular system, cancer causing 17, of which lung cancer accounted for 10.

There were three deaths of infants under one year of age, the mortality rate being 13 per 1,000, which compares not unfavourably with the county rate.

As regards infectious diseases there were 57 notifiable cases of measles and 4 of whooping cough. No other disease was of any significance numerically.

Once again I have pleasure in acknowledging the help and co-operation I have received from Mr. Jackson and his staff.

I am,

Your obedient servant

A.J.MUIR
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

STATISTICS

Area in acres	1,664
Registrar General's Estimate of population mid 1967	10,460
No. of inhabited houses on rate book, end of 1967	
Estimated Product of Penny Rate, March 1968	2,100
Rateable Value as at 31st December, 1967.	520,608
EXTRACT FROM THE VITAL STATISTICS	
Live Births Number	22.1 0.89 19.6 3.03
Total Live & Still Births	
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	
live births	13.39
Illegitimate deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	0.00
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (Deaths under 4 we per 1,000 total live births)	13.37
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live birth Perinatal Mortality Rate (stillbirths & dea	ns) 8.91 aths
under 1 week combined per 1,000 t live and still births)	
Maternal Mortality (including abortion) Number of deaths	
Rate per 1,000 total live & still births	

DEATHS

Number of Deaths , Males Females	
	98
Dooth Pata nor 1 000 of the estimated normalation	9.4
Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population Comparability Factor	1.14
Adjusted Local Death Rate	
Tuberculosis Death Rate, Marlow Urban District,. Tuberculosis Death Rate, Total County	

INFANT MORTALITY

3 infants under the age of one year died.

This represents a mortality rate of 13.0 per 1,000 related births, compared with 18.3 as a general figure for England and Wales.

Neo-natal mortality rate - 13.0 compared with a county rate of 11.4

MATERNAL DEATHS

		puerperal	_		U
(b)	From	other mat	ernal ca	uses	 0

TABLE OF DEATHS

		Males	Females	Total
	Disease			
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory.	1	453	1
2.	Tuberculosis, other	cinqu	ca	-
3.	Syphilitic diseases	сэв	6	•
4.	Diphtheria	-	-	Cina
5.	Whooping Cough	-	•••	_
6.	Meningococcal Infections	-	gcmp.	COM
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	6 200	-	6220
8 .	Measles	(500)	(dias)	ams .
9.	Other Infectious Diseases.	-	-	-
10.	Cancer, Stomach	6	1	1
11.	Cancer, Lungs	9	1	10
12.	Cancer, Breast	(100	cs	tess
13.	Cancer, Uterus	-	6 00)	quino
14.	Other Cancers	2	4	6
15.	Leukemia, Aleukemia	()	&	6539
16.	Diabetes	ena	639	6
17.	Vascular Lesions, nervous system	2	9	11
18.	Coronary disease, angina	15.	5	20
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	അ	1	1
20.	Other heart disease	4	8	12
21.	Other circulatory diseases	2	3	5
22.	Influenza		Comp	600

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TABL	E OF DEATHS (continued)	Males	Females	Total
23.	Pneumonia	orne.	5	5
24.	Bronchitis	arra	1	1
25.	Other respiratory diseases	6000	600	core
26.	Gastric & duodenal ulcer.		1	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea	c=3		Cont.)
28.	Nephritis & nephrosis.	_	1	1
29,	Hyperplasia of prostate	600		(200)
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth & abortion	ст	1	1
31.	Congenital malformations	æ9	1	1
32.	Other defined & ill defined diseases	d 2	9	11
33.	Motor vehicle accidents.	2	1	3
34.	Other accidents	2	3	5
35.	Suicide	e=3	2	2
36.	Homicide & operations of war	es.	~	exo
	All causes	41	57	98
	MATERNAL MORTALITY			
Rate	per 1,000 Total (live & st	ill birt		rlow D.C.
(a)	Maternal causes excluding al	portion	0 0 0	
(b)	Due to abortion		o o o	áco
(c)	Total maternal mortality	0 0 9 9 0 9 9		ECO.

CANCER DEATHS

Deat	ns irc	om	U a	anc	er		(c	1 1 .	T	a g	ge	SI											
	Males Femal																					en e	11 6
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	1964	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	9	•		0	0	0	2	9	0	,	0)	0	17
	1963	0	0	0	0	2	o	•	9	9		2	0	0	2	•	2	0	2	(7	0	20
	1962	0	0	0	0	•	0	2	0	o	,	•	•	9	2	0	0		?		n	9	9
	1961	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	,	•	0	9	•	o	0	9	•	,	?	9	19
	1960	0	0	0	2	•	•	•	•	2	,	•	•	•	0	9	2	•	2	•	•	9	24
	1959	0	0	ø	0	0	ø	2	2	0		9	0	•	2	•	2	0	9		,	0	17
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	Maternal Morta- lity per 1,000 live & still	0°50	0.37	0	4,26	0
	Neo-Natal Morta. Lity Rate per L ₃ 000 Births	1104	, 6°6	13.2	13.0	12.5
	Infant Mortallty Rate per l ₃ 000 Births	15.7	140,7	16.9	13.0	18,3
S FOR 1967	Tuberculosis Death Rate per 1,000 Popula- tion	0.027	0.033	0.022	960°0	O
ITY RATE	Crude Death Rate per l ₀ 000 Population	8°6	9°8	9.5	4°6	11 ° 2
& MORTALITY	Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 Population	18.1	19.6	16.6	22.1	17.2
IONS, BIRTH	Registrar General estima- ted Population Mid 1967	552,470	274,290	278,180	10,460	48,390,800
POPULATIONS	Population 1991 susnav	484,094	236,943	247,151	8,724	6,071,604
	District	Bucks County	Total Urban	Total Rural	Marlow Urban	England & 4

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IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA, WHOOPING COUGH AND TETANUS

281 children were immunised against diphtheria. 261 against whooping cough and 281 against tetanus. In most cases the combined vaccine was used although when appropriate single or dual vaccines were employed.

VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX

207 primary vaccinations were done in 1967, the vast majority in the second year of life. There were 8 revaccinations.

B.C.G. VACCINATIONS

Vaccination against tuberculosis was offered to the 13 year olds in the secondary schools.

In the whole division 1494 children were tested, 1285 (88%) were negative and were vaccinated.

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

This has become incorporated in the routine work of the welfare clinics and continued on the same lines as previously. The oral vaccine is used and is given concurrently with immunisation against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus.

AMBULANCE SERVICES

These are as described in previous reports.

The Ambulance Station is situate in West End Street, High Wycombe, and is in radio-communication with the ambulances en route.

HOSPITALS

GENERAL - High Wycombe

Canadian Red Cross, Taplow

Maidenhead Hospital

Battle Hospital, Reading Cottage Hospital, Marlow

MATERNITY - Canadian Red Cross, Taplow

Shrubbery Maternity Home

Amersham Hospital Townlands, Henley

TUBERCULOSIS Peppard Sanatorium

FEVERS Maidenhead Isolation

Stoke Mandeville

MENTAL St. John's Hospital, Stone

The Metropolitan Hospitals are readily available.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

Section 47 - No formal action.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

The facilities provided by the Public Health Laboratory, Oxford are available for the Officers of the Council,

WATER SUPPLIES

The water supply of the district comes from deep wells owned by the Bucks Water Board. The supply is adequate and samples are taken regularly for bacteriological examination.



Council Offices, Court Garden, Marlow, Bucks

To the Chairman and Members of the Marlow Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I submit my Annual Report for the year 1967 with that of the Medical Officer of Health,

With the complete closure of the Wycombe Slaughter-house at the end of 1966 the anticipated increase in the 'kill' at Marlow did not materialise, there being in fact a reduction in the number of animals killed to those in 1966. The numbers, however, were in excess of those killed in 1965 and 1964. One of the reasons for the decrease was the withdrawal of slaughtering facilities to a number of private butchers in the Wycombe and Maidenhead area.

The establishment of the Council's industrial area at Fieldhouse Lane and in particular the establishment and enlargement of the Marlow Timber Industries site in Dedmere Road created a number of additional problems to the public health staff. In August the Company completed the erection of a new mill and dust extraction plant and silo which resulted in numerous complaints

being received from local residents regarding noise, smoke and dust emission. At the end of the year negotiations were taking place between the County Council, the Urban District Council and the Company to reduce the levels of noise and to eliminate the dust emission from the sile and cyclones. The Council also undertook the destruction of a large number of wild cats which were inhabiting the gardens of the houses in Station Road and Dedmere Road immediately on the boundary of the Marlow Timber Industries site. The Public Health Inspector together with a local Veterinary Surgeon disposed of some 40 cats in a period of two months.

I take this opportunity of thanking all members for their advice and guidance on many matters.

I also wish to express my thanks to the Council's Officers and the men on my staff for their loyal and energetic work and to the Medical Officer of Health, the Clerk of the Council and the Chief Financial Officer for their assistance and support.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant

Thos.H.Jackson Chief Public Health Inspector

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

NATURE OF VISIT

NO. OF VISITS

1. GENERAL SANITATION

Drainage	. 86
Petroleum Installations	。 26
Refuse Collection	, 118
Refuse Disposal	。 25
Sewage Disposal Works	. 19
Building Byelaw Sites	. 28
Pest Control (1) Rats & Mice	255
(11) Insect Pests	。 56
Paddling Pool and River	. 10
Moveable Dwellings	。 30
Places of Entertainment	. 4
Factories	• 40
Atmospheric Pollution	。 51.
Public Conveniences	。 30
Miscellaneous Public Health Visits	06
Filthy or Verminous Premises	T O
Disinfection	10

2. HOUSING

No. of houses Inspected Public Health Act 1936 ... 56 ... 96 Housing Act 1957 ... 30 ... 162 Council House Inspections ... 68 Improvement Grants ... 56 Rent Act 1957 ... 55

HOUSING ACT, 1957

The table below gives details of further action under the Housing Act during 1967. The figures in sections 6 and 7 relate to individual unfit houses.

ARTICLE 31, HOUSING CONSOLIDATED REGULATIONS, 1925

(1)	The number of houses which on inspection were considered to be unfit for human habitation	7
(2)	The number of houses the defects in which were remedied in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officer	1
(3)	The number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to:-	
	(a) the serving of notices requiring the execution of works	0
	(b) the making of demolition or closing orders .	6
(4)	The number of notices served requiring the execution of works	0
(5)	The number of houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	0
(6)	The number of demolition or closing orders made .	0
(7)	The number of houses in respect of which an under- taking was accepted under sub-section (4) of section 16 of the Housing Act 1957	3
(8)	The number of houses demolished	16

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS

All complaints received during the year have been investigated, and when coming within the scope of the Public Health Act or other legislation administered by the Department, have been appropriately dealt with by the Council's Public Health Inspectors, whose journals and records have been completed accordingly.

Two hundred and four plans deposited for approval under the Council's Building Regulations were dealt with during the year, the sites and construction of the properties inspected and sewer connections and drainage work supervised and tested.

One hundred and seventy-seven applications under the Town and Country Planning Acts, were received and dealt with as follows, all maps and records being kept up to date accordingly.

Approved	0 0	20
Conditionally approved	9 0	1.03
Refused	9 9	28
Withdrawn	0	17
Deferred	⊕ •	4
Permitted Development	0 0	5

177

One hundred and thirty private houses have been completed during the year.

	INFORMAL NOTICE	printerior)	Complied	Not Complied Complied	In Progress
	Public Health Act 1936	10	9	L	
	Food & Drugs Act & Food Hygiene Regu- lations 1955/60	1.2		2	
an are and a complete engineers and a complete and	Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act 1963	16	The second of th		
e dan de de la de	Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949	2	Table and the state of the stat		
en e	Pet Animals Act 1951	Con and the second seco		N 1	N.1
	Factories Act 1956	3	3	o T	No all properties and the second of the seco
	Slaughterhouse Hygiene Regula- tions	1	1.	N 1 1	Nil 1
(2)	FORMAL NOTICES Public Health A 1936-Sec.93 39 45	14 Nil Nil	14 Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil
	Housing Act 195 Rent Act 1957	7 Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1960

Type of Premises	Dist	No,Premises Comply Reg,16.	1	No.Premi- ses Comply Reg.19	No.of Visits
Slaughterhouse	1			1	968
Butcher's Shops	5 9	9	9	9	52
Catering Estaba	, 16	15	16	1.6	96
Ice Cream Premises	28	DMCI	CCCC	CHIED	28
Bakehouses	2 1	2	2	2	12
Milk Distri- butor	1	(cos	em	3
Licensed	20	20	20	20	81
Grocers & General Al Stores	23	23	23	23	92
Fishmongers & Poulterers	2	2	2	2	6
Greengrocers & Fruiterers	6	6	6	6	25
Bakers	<i>L</i> _±	4	<u>/</u>	4	20
Food Vendors incl.Confectors Off Licences	5 2			!	
etc.	27	27	11	1.1	56

There are no poultry processing plants within the District,

OTHER INSPECTIONS OR VISITS

MEAT INSPECTION

Tabulated below are the comparative figures of numbers of animals slaughtered at Marlow slaughterhouse 1964-67

	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
1964	494	204	616	2060	2312
1965	783	120	459	2193	2964
1966	1179	91.	362	3083	4181
1967	1117	44	257	2461	2876

CONDEMNATION OF UNSOUND FOODS

(1) Meat at Marlow Slaughterhouse

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Offal	1,916 lb	5, 60	3 1bs.	1,876	lbs,	6	lbs	4,401	lbs.
Carcase	2,097 1	bs. 37	2 lbs.	1,006	lbs,	74	lbs.	3,549	lbs.

(2) Meat other than at Marlow Slaughterhouse

63	lbs.Beef	41	lbs.Pork
36	tbs.Lamb	24	lbs.Bacon
85	lbs.Chicken	20	lbs. Turkey

(3) Miscellaneous Food Stuffs

		Common A minimal of the Common section is a company on the colour of the principle And Appendix Personal Personal Common Section 1997 (1997). Section 1997 (1997) Appendix 1997 (Market School School (School School S
56	lbs.	Cod	9	Steak & Kidney Pies
40	lbs.	Turbot	5	pkts Rissoles
		Salmon		lbs, Frozen Peas
-60		Skate		lbs. Broad Beans
183	l lbs.	Haddock	18	lbs. Frozen Green beans
3	lbs.	Kipper Fillets	6-	1 lbs.Frozen Brussel
		Plaice	-	Sprouts
12	pkts	Fish Cakes	24	lbs. Frozen Mixed
72	pkts	Fish Fingers		Vegetables
6	lbs.	Ox Tongue	26	lbs, Frozen Chips
120	lbs.	Ham	3	lbs, 10 ozs, Peaches
1.	1b.3	ozs.Pork Roll	1	lb, Mandarin Oranges
168	lbs.	Pork Shoulder	1	lb. Pineapple
6	lbs.	Pork Loin	1	lb.3 ozs.Grapefruit
1.7	lbs.	Sausages	2	lbs.Tomatoes
10	lbs.	Sausage Meat	3	lbs.Baked Beans
6	lbs.	Jellied Veal	8	ozs.Spaghetti
18	lbs.	Corned Beef	22	pkts.Mousse
58	lbs.	Beef Burgers	l _±	pkts.Eclairs
74	pkts	Braised Beef	4	lbs. Raspberries
		Faggots	42	Individual ice creams
	lbs.	Shepherds Pie	28	Family Blocks Ice
8		Chicken Pies		cream
			12	Chocolate Ice cream

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MEAT INSPECTION AND CONDEMNATIONS

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	(exclud-				
	ing				
Number killed	cows) 1117	44	257	2461	2876
Number inspected	1117	44	257		2876
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Except Tuberculosis &		1	1	t	
Parasites =				egic non-	
(a) Whole carcases			i		
condemned	6	2	1.	3	9
(b) Carcase of which					
some part or	İ				
organ was condemned	17	26	Nil	7	94
(c)Percentage of the				1	t
total number insp					
ected affected	2,06	63.63	0.389	0.406	3.75
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY -				e	
(a) Whole carcase	NT = T	NT - 1	.: 7\T .≎ 71	NT .	NT - 7
condemned (b)Carcases of which	N11	Nıl	N.i.l.	Nil	Nil
		1		e	
some part or organ was condemned	Nıl	Nil	Nil	Nil	36
(c)Percentage of the	14 1. 1.	+ VL		1	
number affected	natural and the state of the st	e and a property of the second			
with Tuberculosis	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1.251
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(a) Carcases of which		do company			
some part or organ					
was condemned	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) Carcases submitted		references o galacter			
to treatment by		and results of the control of the co		9 day	
refrigeration	3	Nil	Nil	Ni1	Nil
(c)Generalised infes-		consists and the constant of t		Company and Compan	
tation, carcases		7. 7. 9. 71	NT ° T	NT.º T	NT . I
totally condemned	.J.,	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(d)Percentage of the number affected with		de de la companie de			
cysticercosis bovis	0,627	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
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(a) Whole carcases condem					
ned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) Carcases of which som					
part or organ was con					
demned	63	12	Nil	387	264
(c)Percentage of number					
inspected affected by					
Parasites	5.640	27.27	Nil	15.73	9.179

FACTORIES

Routine inspections to all factory premises were carried out. Informal action was sufficient to deal with any matters arising out of these inspections.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The administration of this Act is carried out by the Public Health Inspector and at the end of 1967 approximately 98% of the premises registered had received an initial inspection. Contraventions of the Act were found in the majority of premises but the co-operation of owners and occupiers was found to be readily forthcoming and informal action only was required. At the end of 1967 approximately 70% of registered premises were up to the required standard.

Details of registered premises are given below

Type of Premises	Number Registered	Number of Persons Employed
Offices	34	201
Retail Shops	104	431
Wholesale Shops & Warehouses	3	12
Catering Establishmen	nts 18	101.
Fuel Storage Depots	1	2

Total Males 286 Total Females 461

Number of visits by Public Health Inspectors in the year 236

There were 3 accidents reported during the year, one involving a severe cut to the hand, one a broken toe, and one a severely strained back. All the accidents were investigated by the Public Health Inspector, advice given where necessary.

Given below are details of two of the accidents which occurred during the year.

- l. A counter assistant had cut a sheet of glass and laid it on the counter, the edge of the glass ws over— hanging the counter. He turned away to obtain another item from the shop, on turning back, the back of his hand came in contact with the glass, severely cutting his hand. The hand was stitched and he returned to work, some two weeks after, it was found that he had also severed the tendons of his fingers and was losing the use of his hand and the assistant was away from work for some considerable time.
- 2. A 15 year old butchery apprentice was requested by his butcher to move a fore quarter of beef weighing some 200 lbs. The fore quarter fell awkwardly severely straining his back and wrist necessitating his absence from work for a considerable time. A letter was sent to the Head Office of the firm concerned and to the butchery manager pointing out the dangers of allowing young persons to lift objects of an awkward shape or a heavy nature and informing them that this was a serious contravention of the Act.

It would appear however that a large number of owner occupiers are still not aware of their responsibility to report to the local authority an accident that involves an employee's absence from work for more than two days. It is hoped however that all persons in registered premises will be aware of this provision of the Act as it is constantly drawn to their notice by the Public Health Inspectors by letter and by informal talks with employers and employees.

RODENT CONTROL

The supervision and administration of this work is carried out by the Public Health Inspector and the table on the following page shows degree of Rodent Infestation in the area and details of treatments carried out. 134 properties were treated and 92 bodies recovered. Insect pests dealt with during the year included wasps, flies, mosquitoes, woodworm, cockroaches, earwigs, ants and fleas.

The bulk of the work, including the destruction of 60 wasp nests and 827 Rodent Control visits was carried out by the Council's Rodent Operative, Mr.H.C.Eyres.

The sewerage system was test baited in October with negative results and I am pleased to say that this is the fifth year that no evidence of rats has been found in the town's sewers. Permanent baiting points were continued to be used at the Fieldhouse Lane Refuse Tip and Sewage Disposal Works and an inspection carried out by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in conjunction with the Public Health Inspector revealed that there was no infestation of rats at the Sewerage Works and only slight infestation on the banks of the refuse tip.

With the expansion of the Marlow Timber Industries site in Dedmere Road and the removal of the cats from that site it was felt that a danger existed for a large increase in the number of rodents in that area. A contract has been negotiated with the Company for regular visits to the site and for the upkeep of a large number of permanent baiting points within the curtilage. At the end of the year the contract has been working some three months and there has been no evidence of rodent infestation within the Marlow Timber Industries site.

ANNUAL REPORT ON RATS AND MICE

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1967

PRO	PERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	Non Agri- cultural	Agricul- tural
1.	Number of properties in district	4112	7
2.	(a) Total number of properties (inclenearby premises) inspected following notification	142	7
	(b) No, infested by (1) Rats (2) Mice	119	, ⁷
3.	(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and for mice for reasons other than notification	1.0	The part of the pa
	(b) No.infested by (1)Rats (2)Mice	3 2	
4.	There was no infestation by rats in any of the district sewers.		e destination per des de destination de la constantion de la const

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

COLLECTION

The use of paper sacks now operates over the whole town and is working very satisfactorily. The economy in manpower in such a system has allowed for the natural loss of staff, and a crew operating the collection vehicle at a present population level of approximately 10,000, is two members less than when the population was 6,500 when the traditional dustbin was used.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Maintenance to vehicles is carried out on a daily, weekly and monthly basis, and the appropriate records kept.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND HOUSE DRAINAGE

The works have been functioning reasonably satisfactorily although it has been difficult to maintain the normal high standard of effluent discharged into the river, and the Thames Conservancy have been concerned at some poor samples that have resulted. The Works are sufficient to deal with the capacity of 275,000 g.p.d., d.w.f., and the following tables will show that this is often exceeded. Steps are being taken in collaboration with the Wycombe Rural District Council for part of this flow to be diverted to the Lt.Marlow Works, and it is hoped that these arrangements will commence during 1967, as it will be extremely difficult to keep the high standard of effluent until these alterations are effected.

Lower Daily Flow on 16.7.67 362,600 galls.

Average Flow per head per day based on a population of 10,460 . 48 galls.

RAINFALL

MONTH	Total during month	Rain fell on days	Highest Dan Amount	lly Rainfall Date
August September October November December	1.4 2.345 1.59 1.685 4.26 2.13 3.61 2.42 1.96 4.12 1.72 1.74 28.98	14 13 11 12 21 5 9 13 16 22 13 13	0.29 0.74 0.49 0.57 0.92 0.96 2.63 0.67 0.62 0.62 0.76 0.68 0.92	23rd 28th 9th 11th 15th 26th 23rd 11th 26th 17th 2nd 19th

The heaviest single day's rainfall was 2,63 on the 23rd July,1967.

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR DEPUTY CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

Health Centre Maternity Child Welfare Infectious Diseases Aged & Infirm Persons Water Supplies Milk Supplies Food Supplies Swimming Pool School Health Service Vaccination Immunisation Mental Deficien-Cy

STAFF

Council House Maintenance

- (1) Bricklayer
- (2)Joiner
- (3) Plumber
- (4) Decorator
- (5)Labourer
- (6) Rodent Operative

Agriculture & Welfare Provisions) Act. Prevention of Act.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

Public Health Acts Infectious Diseases Building Byelaws Moveable Dwellings Temporary Buildings Refuse Collection Refuse Disposal Sewerage Public Conveniences Insect Control Nuisances & Complaints Physically Hand- Housing Acts

capped Children. Slum Clearance Overcrowding Houses in multiple occupation Council House Inspections Certificates of Disrepair Improvement & Standard Grants Council House Maintenance

Food & Drugs Acts Food Hygiene Regs! Food Inspections Meat Inspection Wages. Slaughterhouse Rept, & Regulations

Sampling Water & Food Shops Act (Safety Health Offices Shops & Railway Premises Act. Clean Air Act Factories Act Petroleum Act Damage by Pest Pet Animals Act Hairdressers

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR

Highways Scavenging Repair Snow & Ice Public Footpaths Towpath Car Parks Sewerage (Refuse Col- Planning lection & Dis- Consents posal) Pleasure Gds. Open Spaces Grass Verges Ornamental

Trees Memorial Enclosures Allotments Depot Stores Vehicles

Cemetery Public Convenience (Cleansing & Repair) Public Halls & Buildings (Repair)

Ordering Equipment Accounts

STAFF

S.D. Works, Man & Staff Cemetery Superintendent Swimming Pool Attendant Caretakers-Liston Hall Court Garden Storekeeper Mechanic Refuse Collectors-Sweepers Labourers Attendants, Public Conveniences

SECRETARY/CLERK S.H.TYPIST/CLERK

Secretarial Specifications Bills of Quantities Committee Reports Property Filing Records Street Lighting Housing Complaints Public Hall

Bookings

Ordering

Accounts

Equipment

Telephone Duty

Tip Controller

AND SURVEYOR

DEPUTY SURVEYOR -----TECHNICAL CLERK ASSISTANT SURVEYOR

Applications

Town Planning Building Byelaws

Records

Town & Country Planning Building Byelaws House Drainage Vehicles Public Conveniences Car Parks Highways St. Numbering St. Naming

Stores

Ordering Completing Accounts

Complaints

Council Hses. Estate Layout Design & Construction Town Planning Building Byelaws Private St. Works Preparation of Bills of Quantities Preparation of Specifications Dangerous Buildings.

TOWN EVENTS

Marlow Regatta Marlow Carnival

Management of Theatre & Entertainments

GOVERNMENT M. U. D. C. ADMINISTRATION. DEPARTMENTS

Sanitary Circumstances & Public Health Action Housing Acts Public Highways Public Footpaths Street LightingMinistry of

Scavenging Shops Act Food Inspections

Swimming Pool Open Spaces & Playing Fields. Cemeterv Car Parks Public Halls Sewerage Sewage Disposal Works

Petroleum Acts Private St. Wrks. Disinfection Rodent Control Town Planning Building Byelaws

Council House Design Estate Layout & Con struction

Maintenance Staff Annual Estimates(b)St, Wrks. Annual Repts. | (c)St.

Reports to Comtee Lighting & Council

Factories Act, Offices, Shops & graths Railway Premo Acto

Dangerous Bldgs.North Thames Refuse Collectn. Refuse Disposal Slaughterhouse

Ministry of Health Ministry of Housing & Local Gnmt. Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries & Food

BUCKS COUNTY COUNCIL

Transport

Home Office

Health Planning Fire Highways Civil Defnce.

PUBLIC UTIL-ITIES

Bucks Water Board (a)Supplies (b) St. Wrks.

Southern **E**lectricity Board

(a)Supplies

P.O. Tele-(a)St.Wrks.

Gas (a)Supplies (b)St.Wrks.



FACTORIES ACT 1937

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1937

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

		l D.T.		AT T	
		Noon		Number o	
		Regis	Inspec	Written	Occupiers
P	remises	ter	tions	notices	prosecuted
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by the L.A.		2	1	Nil
	Factories not incl- uded in (i)in which Section 7 is enfor- ced by the L.A.	48	48	4	N ₁ 1
(111)	Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the L.A. (excluding out-workers premises)	12	8	Nıl	Nil
	TOTAL	6.1	58	5	Nil

2. CASES in which DEFECTS were found

	Number of Cases in which No. of						
Particulars			were found		Cases in		
	Found	Remedied	Referred to	by H.M	which prosecu-		
		7 P	H.M. Inspec-				
			tor	tor	were in-		
					stituted		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		
				:			
Want of clean-				o see the grant			
liness (S.1)	3	3	Nil	Nıl	co		
Overcrowding							
(S,2)				and the same of th			
Unreasonable			and the second second				
temperature							
Inadequate							
Ventilation							

	Noa	No of cases in which			
Particulars	Found	Remedied	1	rred By H.M. Inspec- tor	prosecutns were insti- tuted.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Ineffective drainage of floors(S,6) Sanitary Con- veniences	Nil	Nil	Nůl	N ₁ 1	N°L
(S,7) (a)Insuffic- ient	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b)Unsuitable or defective	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	N ₁ 1
(c)Not separate for sexes	Nil	Nůl	Nil	N ₁ 1	Nil
Other offences against the Act(not including offences relating to outwork)	3	3	Nil		Nil
TOTAL	4	4	Ni1	Nil	Nil.

PART V111 of the ACT

OUTWORK (Sections 133 & 134)

Nature of Work

(1)

Wearing apparel

making etc.

No.of Outworkers

in August list

required by Sec 133(1)(1)

(2) = 5



